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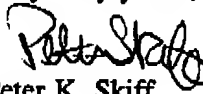
ATTN: MS. STREETER

Re: U.S. Application No. 09/853,589  
Corres. to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/505,886  
"Humidification Cylinder and Method of  
Humidifying Material"  
Inventors: Steven Rohn Wagoner  
Our Ref.: 021238-472

Dear Ms. Streeter:

Further to our telephone conference, this letter confirms our intention to combine Attorney Docket Nos. 021238-458 and 021238-472 as a single application. We would prefer to reference 021238-472 for all future correspondence in the application. Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

  
Peter K. Skiff

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